

701—304.46(422) E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit. Effective for eligible gallons sold on or after July 1, 2011, a retail dealer of gasoline may claim an E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit. “E-15 plus gasoline” means ethanol blended gasoline formulated with a minimum percentage of between 15 percent and 69 percent of volume of ethanol, if the formulation meets the standards provided in Iowa Code section 214A.2. For purposes of this rule, tank wagon sales are considered retail sales. The credit is calculated on Form IA 138.

304.46(1) Calculating the credit.

a. Amount of credit. The tax credit is calculated by multiplying the total number of E-15 plus gallons sold by the retail dealer during the tax year by the following designated rates:

Gallons sold from July 1, 2011, through December 31, 2013	3 cents
Gallons sold from January 1 through May 31 and from September 16 through December 31 for the 2014-2024 calendar years	3 cents
Gallons sold from June 1 through September 15 for the 2014-2024 calendar years	10 cents

b. Claiming the credit with other credits. A taxpayer may claim the E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit even if the taxpayer also claims the ethanol promotion tax credit provided in rule 701—304.39(422) for gallons sold on or after January 1, 2011, but prior to January 1, 2021, for the same tax year for the same ethanol gallons.

c. Refundability. Any credit in excess of the taxpayer’s tax liability is refundable. In lieu of claiming the refund, the taxpayer may elect to have the overpayment credited to the tax liability for the following tax year.

d. Transferability. The credit may not be transferred to any other person.

304.46(2) Fiscal year filers. For taxpayers whose tax year is not on a calendar-year basis, the taxpayer may compute the tax credit on the gallons of E-15 plus gasoline sold during the year using the designated rates as shown above. Because the tax credit is repealed on January 1, 2025, a taxpayer whose tax year ends prior to December 31, 2024, may continue to claim the tax credit in the following tax year for any E-15 plus gallons sold through December 31, 2024. For a retail dealer whose tax year is not on a calendar-year basis and who did not claim the E-15 plus credit on the previous return, the dealer may claim the credit for the current tax year for gallons sold for the period beginning on July 1 of the previous tax year until the last day of the previous tax year. However, for taxpayers whose fiscal year ends prior to December 31, 2011, the dealer must claim the credit for the current tax year for gallons sold for the period beginning on July 1 of the previous tax year until the last day of the previous tax year.

EXAMPLE 1: A taxpayer who is a retail dealer of gasoline has a fiscal year ending October 31, 2011. The taxpayer sold 2,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline for the period from July 1, 2011, through October 31, 2011, and sold 7,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline for the period from November 1, 2011, through October 31, 2012. The taxpayer is entitled to a total E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit of \$270 for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2012, which consists of a \$60 credit (2,000 gallons multiplied by 3 cents) for the period from July 1, 2011, through October 31, 2011, and a credit of \$210 (7,000 gallons multiplied by 3 cents) for the period from November 1, 2011, through October 31, 2012.

EXAMPLE 2: A taxpayer who is a retail dealer of gasoline has a fiscal year ending April 30, 2012. The taxpayer sold 4,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline between July 1, 2011, and April 30, 2012. The taxpayer sold 9,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline between May 1, 2012, and April 30, 2013. The taxpayer is entitled to claim an E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit of \$120 (4,000 gallons multiplied by 3 cents) for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2012. In lieu of claiming the credit on the return for the period ending April 30, 2012, the taxpayer can claim the E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit on the tax return for the period ending April 30, 2013, for all E-15 plus gasoline gallons sold for the period from July 1, 2011, through April 30, 2013.

EXAMPLE 3: A taxpayer who is a retail dealer of gasoline has a fiscal year ending February 28, 2025. The taxpayer sold 20,000 total gallons of E-15 plus gasoline for the entire period from March 1, 2024, through February 28, 2025. For the period from March 1 through May 31, 2024, the taxpayer sold 4,000

gallons of E-15 plus gasoline, which entitles the taxpayer to a credit of \$120 (4,000 gallons multiplied by 3 cents). For the period from June 1 through September 15, 2024, the taxpayer sold 6,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline, which entitles the taxpayer to a credit of \$600 (6,000 gallons multiplied by 10 cents). For the period from September 16 through December 31, 2024, the taxpayer sold 6,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline, which entitles the taxpayer to a credit of \$180 (6,000 gallons multiplied by 3 cents). For the period from January 1 through February 28, 2025, the taxpayer sold 4,000 gallons of E-15 plus gasoline, which occurred after expiration of the credit. The taxpayer is entitled to claim a total E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit of \$900 (\$120 plus \$600 plus \$180) on the taxpayer's Iowa income tax return for the period ending February 28, 2025.

304.46(3) *Allocation of credit to owners of a business entity or to beneficiaries of an estate or trust.* If a taxpayer claiming the E-15 plus gasoline promotion tax credit is a partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, or an estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual, an individual may claim the credit. The amount claimed by an individual must be based on the individual's pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, or estate or trust.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.11Y as amended by 2016 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2309.

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